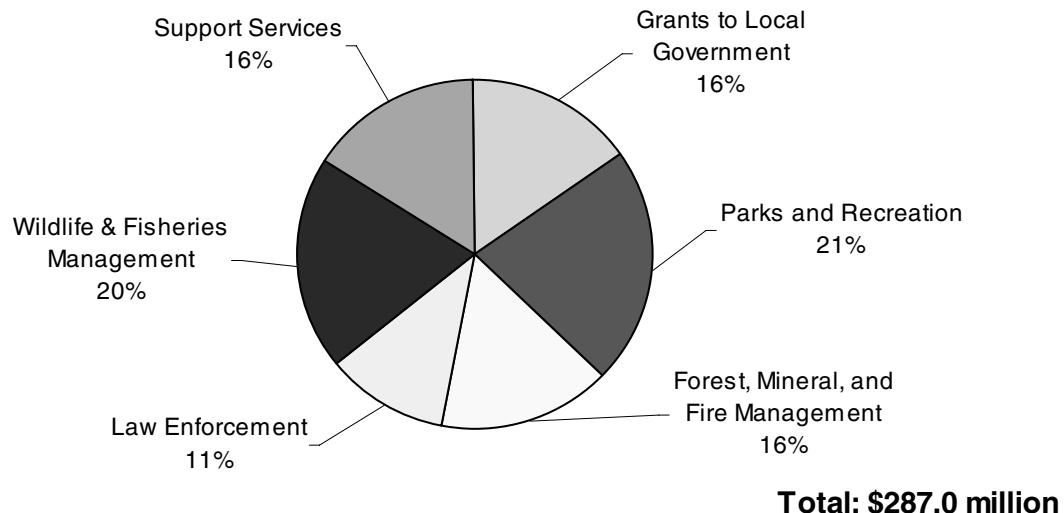


# Department of Natural Resources

The Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use, and enjoyment of the state's natural resources for current and future generations. The department supports programs for wildlife and fisheries management, state parks and recreation areas, conservation and law enforcement, and forest management. *The Governor's proposed budget for fiscal year 2007 recommends total funding of \$287.0 million, of which \$25.1 million is general fund.*

## DNR Funds a Wide Variety of Recreational and Conservation Activities



### Budget Highlights – The fiscal year 2007 Executive Budget:

- Provides an additional \$3.5 million in state restricted support for maintaining the state's 97 parks, bringing total support for the park system to \$46.8 million.
- Fully funds the payments in lieu of taxes program at \$15.3 million.
- Maintains \$45.0 million to manage and protect 3.8 million acres of state forestland and protect 20 million acres of forest and wild lands against fire.
- Provides \$29.0 million to conserve the state's wildlife and its habitat. Through improved habitat management and the natural processes of forest growth and plant succession, wildlife habitat has improved to the point that many species can be reestablished as part of the natural ecosystem.
- Dedicates \$28.0 million to protecting and enhancing fish habitat and populations in order to provide quality recreational and economic opportunities.
- Provides \$31.6 million for law enforcement activities, including an additional \$1.5 million in federal support for equipment purchases.

### Fiscal Year 2006 Supplemental

The Governor recommends a supplemental of \$1.5 million in federal support for law enforcement equipment purchases. An additional \$1.5 million federal will support marine safety grants to local units of government, and \$3.3 million in restricted funds is recommended for state park operations.

**Fiscal Year 2007 Governor's Recommendation**  
**Department of Natural Resources**  
**(*\$ in Thousands*)**

	<b>FY05 Appropriation</b>	<b>FY06 Current Law</b>	<b>FY07 Recommended</b>
GF/GP	\$28,501.7	\$25,593.2	\$25,119.6
All Funds	\$268,646.1	\$272,943.1	\$287,018.2
	% Change - GF/GP	-10.2%	-1.9%
	% Change - All Funds	1.6%	5.2%

<b>Activities</b>	<b>GF/GP</b>	<b>All Funds</b>
<b>GOAL: ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF MICHIGAN'S NATURAL ENVIRONMENT</b>		
Parks	\$0.0	\$46,783.2
Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management	\$4,650.9	\$44,954.0
Law Enforcement	\$2,232.2	\$31,554.0
Grants to Local Government	\$0.0	\$29,740.3
Wildlife Management	\$1,938.4	\$28,733.4
Fisheries Management	\$0.0	\$28,018.3
Land and Facilities Management	\$346.3	\$20,009.5
Support Services	\$2,298.1	\$17,573.4
Recreation	\$0.0	\$15,095.1
Information Technology	\$1,049.6	\$9,002.9
Payments in Lieu of Taxes - Commercial Forest Reserves	\$2,662.6	\$2,662.6
<b>GOAL: MAKE GOVERNMENT IN MICHIGAN MORE COST EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT</b>		
Payments in Lieu of Taxes - Purchased Lands	\$9,941.5	\$12,641.5
<b>GOAL: MAKE MICHIGAN'S PEOPLE HEALTHIER AND OUR FAMILIES STRONGER</b>		
Sportsmen Against Hunger	\$0.0	\$250.0
<b>Total FY 2007 Recommendation</b>	<b>\$25,119.6</b>	<b>\$287,018.2</b>